

14 January 1960

MEMORANDUM TO: Director of Security

SUBJECT: CIA Statement Regarding Lyle Wilson Column of 13 January 1960

1. With the permission of the Director, in answer to press inquiries, on 13 January 1960, I made the following statement as an answer to Lyle Wilson's column of yesterday in the WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS:

"Bang-Jensen had a talk with Mr. Allen Dulles on 10 December 1957. At that time he did not indicate to him that he had any information about Soviet espionage or about Soviet agents he wished to divulge. During this meeting he did not indicate that he wished to have any further meetings with Mr. Dulles though he had ample opportunity to do so."

2. This statement was given to the UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL, ASSOCIATED PRESS, SCRIPPS-HOWARD, WASHINGTON DAILY NEWS, NEW YORK TIMES, NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE, WASHINGTON POST, REUTERS; and also to Marquis Childs of the ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH, Forrest Davis of the CINCINNATI ENQUIRER, and Fulton Lewis, Jr.

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